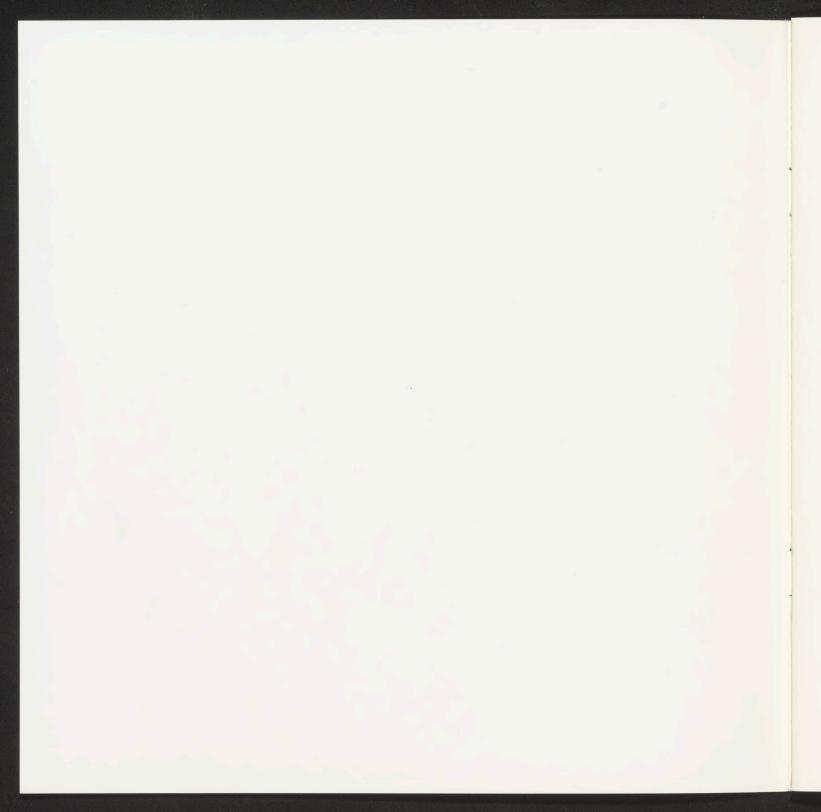


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Linda Connor is a photographer whose accomplishments suggest vocational preparation and life experience beyond her years. It is not just that she has behind her a large and diverse body of work. Her artistic achievement comes from a subtly sensed complexity, from a kind of repeated cycle of conviction, doubt and renewed trial which affords her with exhaustive practice in photographic possibilities, and us with the luxury of extensive hindsight. Connor has experimented in many aspects of one medium, not quixotically but through a succession of more or less intensive and prolonged but usually abandoned enthusiasms. In contemplating the two major directions her work has taken in the last four years, we can trace several divergent currents which lead up to her present achievement, and we can hypothesize a few causal events.

Connor has a classical American training in photography. She studied with Harry Callahan, Aaron Siskind and Arthur Siegel; she was exposed to two of the key institutions propagating both the neo-Bauhaus and the American modernist aesthetics—the Rhode Island School of Design and the Institute of Design in Chicago. Starting as an undergraduate at RISD as a faithful documentary reporter, finding access to poverty environments and staying with an unadulterated camera technique—and shifting as a graduate student into a series of more stylistically conscious neo-surrealist modes, Connor engaged nearly every intelligent current attitude in art photography.

Two pivotal events in the artist's development of her photographic vision occurred with two changes in the habitual use of her basic tools. The first took place in 1972 when she began to photograph with an old-fashioned 8×10 view camera, often attached to a soft-focus portrait lens, that had belonged to her great-aunt Ethelyn. Before this, she had worked with 4×5 view cameras and was conversant with the premise of this tool, but found large equipment



cumbersome, simply too inhibiting to deal with in a sustained endeavor. Somehow, during the 70s, with the series of essentially straight if stylized soft images which culminated in her book Solos, she overcame her resistance to manipulating an unwieldly instrument in the name of her greater commitment to the immediacy and literal directness of expression which can only be attained with the large contact print. She says that even while working on Solos she was recommitting herself to hard-focus images and indeed often used a sharp-focus 4×5 lens on Ethelyn's camera.

Connor's earlier flirtations with overtly-symbol-laden images, and with various plays on reflexive art (photographs of photographs, photographs of art reproductions) seem in retrospect to be fully necessary and honest stages in her artistic and moral development. But it was really in the early or mid-70s that she began to find her truer voice, and it is in the photographs since 1978 that she resoundingly comes into her own.

The second of the pivotal events was, according to the artist, long in preparation, though to the observer it seems dramatic and rather sudden. It occurred more or less with the acquiring of a new view camera, a sharp-focus Deardorff, in 1978. With the use of this equipment came a sort of relieved acceptance of sharp vision: now it would not be the filter of the distorted lens, but the more rigorous filter of view selection itself—the elusive problems both of positioning and of timing implied in the more literal equivalence of view-sight and print result—and the additional sensibility implied by the toning of the final print, that would separate Connor's "straight" photographs from the realm of the ordinary.

This exhibition presents images from Connor's two recent bodies of work: photographs taken in India and Nepal during three months in 1979–80, and photographs of North American petroglyphs, ancient native carvings in stone, from 1978 to the present. Though the two groups of work are different in important ways, each embodies a highly ambitious essay in the very meaning of photographed "reality."

For anyone—photographer or writer, journalist or filmmaker or philosopher—to tackle India, Indianness, as subject not only for inquiry but for art, is an act of some audacity. Connor would patently have needed her arduously earned "selective camera vision" even to begin such an undertaking. Faced with the event, Connor seems to have discovered resources beyond her trained technique of framing choice. She was somehow provided with the power, as it were, to decodify certain secret if plain aspects of India in such a way as to make her achievement appear almost obvious.

India is of course infinitely more in the imagination than a subject for the photographer; it embodies an entire huge ethos, a symbol for the very ambiguity of human acculturated existence, a testament to the coexisting spiritual grace and emotional disease in all of us. India is as much about human culture per se as it is about man's relation to nature. The scenes Connor has chosen to photograph and hand-develop into these peculiar smoky, reddish objects during her weeks in India and Nepal tend to alternate between various types. There are those singling out special cultural trademarks, or actual artistic monuments, which are specific to the place; and those capturing more generalized, casual and fleeting views of people and animals in "typical," (often rather static) positions. In some ways Connor's photographs of India, unlike the petroglyph images, share the approach a painter or draughtsman might take. Aside from their transcendence of the soft-focus lens, and their distinctive contact printing technique, which takes place outdoors without the usual chemical processing and which relies importantly on rich gold toning—aside from these considerations, their compositions and excruciatingly careful juxtapositions of abstract and representationally laden values, suggest not the candid photographer's, but the painter's thought processes. Connor's Indian photographs differ each from the other so drastically that they are not perceived as a series except insofar as they share a theme and an underlying unity of emotional tone. They range from the bizarre, like Hennaed Hand (no. 2), to the supremely, memorably classical, like Benares, India (cover image).

Recently we have seen in the development of photographic criticism a recurrent impulse to discourse upon the subject of photography's susceptibility to analysis based on various new linguistic structural principles. For instance, either the markedly contrapuntal, or the conversely dedifferentiated-field, organizations of various given photographs might seem to have their respective syntactic logics which are somehow, mysteriously, intelligible to all of us. But beyond such a generalized statement, we are hard pressed to demonstrate linguistic structural formulae or principles which govern "good" or "decipherable" photos. However, signs and symbols common to language and photography, do sometimes appear susceptible to description, if not analysis.

I mention all this in preface to an assessment of Linda Connor's petroglyph photographs, which seem to me among the few true heirs to Frederick Sommer's great horizonless desert landscape pictures, themselves examples of the "dedifferentiated-field" compositional type. Connor has literally fixed upon the structuralist notion of "signs" as a kind of touchstone in

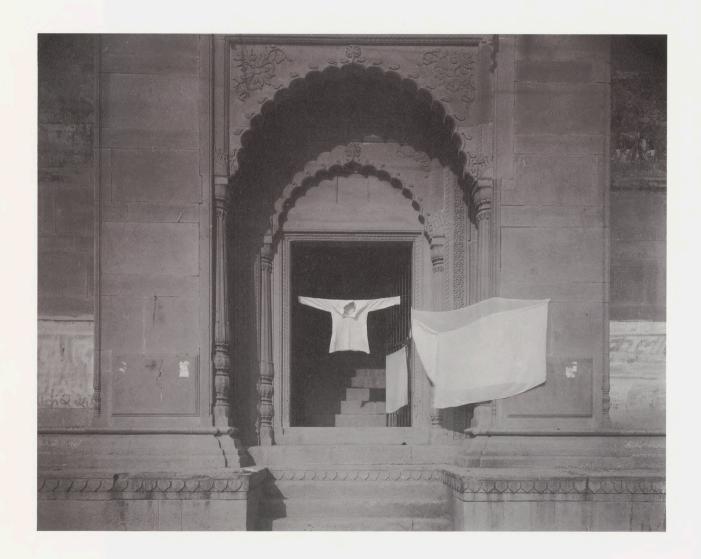
making her extensive series of petroglyph photographs. (And she has often chosen nearly to obscure the actual carved symbols in the large landscape compositions.)

The often nearly invisible fragments of language or depiction found in American Indian glyphs seem to refer generically in Connor's pictures to photography's mysterious nature as a linguistically related art form: the petroglyph photographs may be seen as reflexive images in the extreme, traces of traces, abstract signs referring to other abstract signs. The photograph's usual role as signifier in these works is subtly overturned, because the photo points not to a closed signified but to another signifier, where signified is obscure, and yet in another sense completely clear.

The way in which the petroglyph photos can function both as beautifully crafted pictures—successful landscapes in the spirit of Sommer or Robert Adams, or even the great 19th century survey photographers—and as denotatively neutralized signifiers of signifiers, constitutes an act of the greatest originality and importance in the context of contemporary photography. This continuity of two different concerns, first the photograph as an image firmly lodged in the realm of the depictive, and in one strain of the history of art photography; and second, the photograph as a pre-depictive object, as physical bearer of a shadowy trace of simple *making*; a testament, indeed, to *marking per se*—these separate intentions in Linda Connor's photography declare themselves more and more plainly as she evolves as an artist. Connor seems destined to engage the most profoundly situated issues of her medium, and to elucidate them for us.

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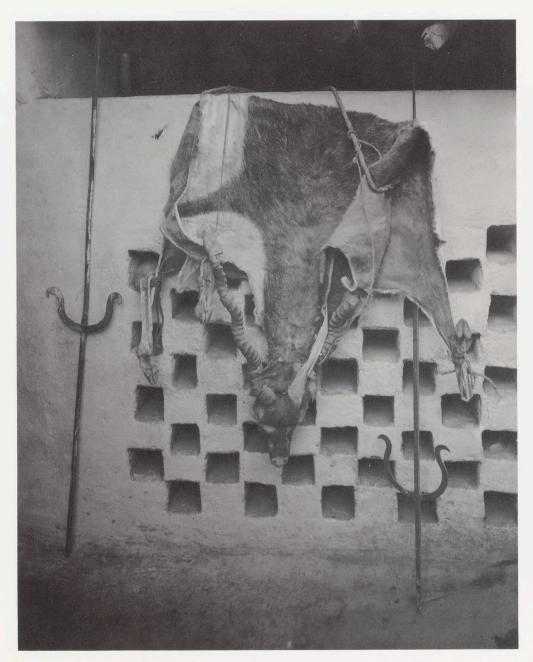
33. Shirt, Benares, India, 1979



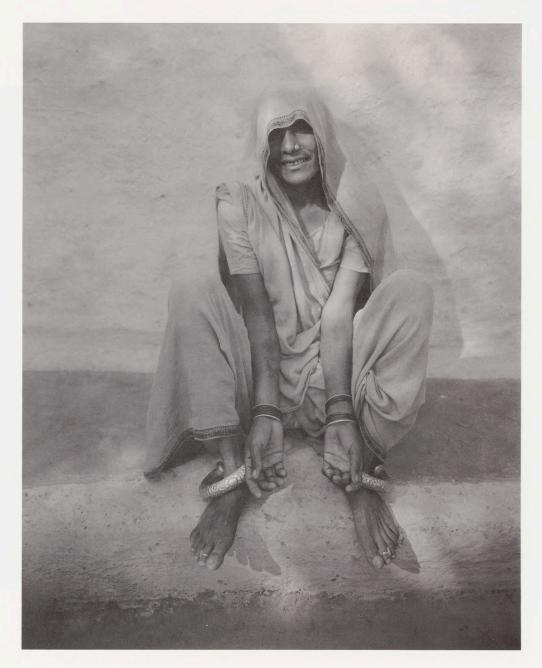
2. Hennaed Hand, Nepal, 1980



8. Yogi, Benares, India, 1979

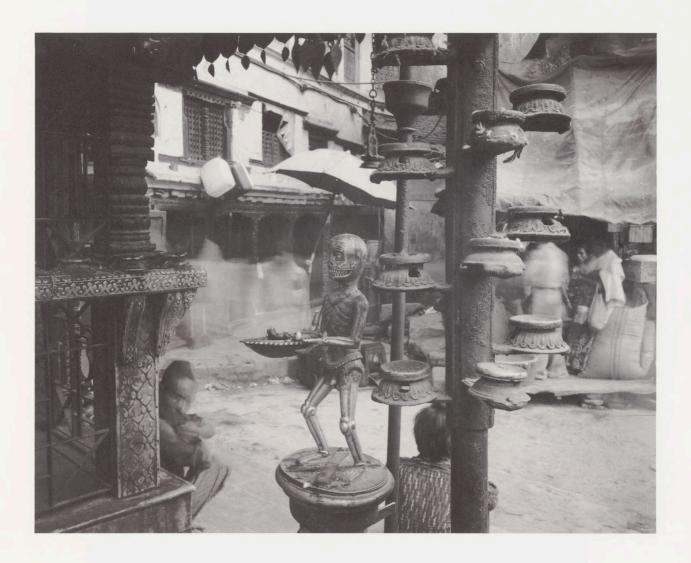


4. Antelope Hide, India, 1979



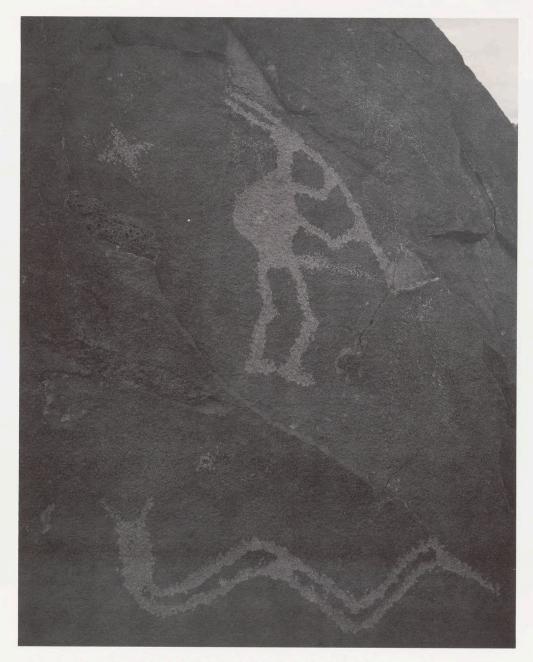
9. Hindu Woman, India, 1979







37. Great Gallery, Horseshoe Gallery, Utah, 1982



48. Humped-back Flute Player and Snake Petroglyph, New Mexico, 1981





40. Pictograph, Super Nova, Chaco Canyon, New Mexico, 1982

CATALOGUE OF THE EXHIBITION

All images are gold-toned contact prints on 8 \times 10 inch printing-out-paper

- 1. Benares, India, 1979
- 2. Hennaed Hand, Nepal, 1980
- 3. Temple Wall, Kathmandu, Nepal, 1980
- 4. Antelope Hide, India, 1979
- 5. Temple, Kathmandu, 1980
- 6. Sleeping Baby, Kathmandu, Nepal, 1980
- 7. Temple, Khajaraho, India, 1979
- 8. Yogi, Benares, India, 1979
- 9. Hindu Woman, India, 1979
- 10. Buddha's Footprints, India, 1979
- 11. Nepal, 1980
- 12. Nepal, 1979
- 13. Nepal, 1980
- 14. Moonrise, India, 1979
- 15. India, 1979
- 16. Blind Musicians, India, 1979
- 17. Bull, Nepal, 1980
- 18. Religious Effigies, Benares, India, 1979
- 19. Dancing Shiva, India, 1979
- 20. Kathmandu, Nepal, 1979
- 21. Temple Courtyard, Nepal, 1980
- 22. India, 1979
- 23. Hoof, Kathmandu, Nepal, 1980
- 24. Sri Lanka, 1979
- 25. Lane, Nepal, 1979
- 26. Prayer Flags, Nepal, 1979
- 27. Shrine, India, 1979
- 28. Embracing Trees, Thailand, 1979
- 29. Rice Paddies, Nepal, 1980
- 30. Jain Nuns, India, 1979
- 31. Nepal, 1980
- 32. Veiled Woman, India, 1979
- 33. Shirt, Benares, India, 1979

- 34. India, 1979
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- 36. Temple, India, 1979
- 37. Great Gallery, Horseshoe Gallery, Utah, 1982
- 38. Spirals, Three Rivers, New Mexico, 1982
- 39. Pictographs of the Spanish, Canyon de Chelly, Arizona, 1981
- Pictograph, Super Nova, Chaco Canyon, New Mexico, 1982
- 41. Petroglyphs near Bishop, California, 1978
- 42. Stag Petroglyph with Bullet Holes, Chaco Canyon, New Mexico, 1981
- 43. Petroglyph, New Mexico, 1981
- 44. Big Horn Sheep with Arrows, Three Rivers, New Mexico, 1982
- 45. Petroglyphs, Utah, 1981
- 46. Spiral, Canyon de Chelly, 1978
- 47. Coyote and Bird, Arizona, 1981
- 48. Humped-back Flute Player and Snake Petroglyph, New Mexico, 1981
- 49. Petroglyph, Chaco Canyon, New Mexico, 1981
- 50. Hands, Canyon de Chelly, Arizona, 1982
- 51. Great Gallery Detail with Flute Player, Horseshoe Canyon, Utah, 1982
- 52. Spanish and Ancient Drawings, Canyon de Chelly, Arizona, 1982
- 53. Detail Comet Panel, Arizona, 1982
- 54. Petroglyphs, Hawaii, 1978
- 55. Petroglyph, Utah, 1981
- 56. Pictographs near White House Ruin, Canyon de Chelly, Arizona, 1978
- 57. Mountain Lion with Dagger, New Mexico, 1981
- 58. Petroglyphs near Prescott, Arizona, 1979
- 59. Spiral, Chaco Canyon, Mew Mexico, 1981
- 60. Petroglyphs, Bella Coola, British Columbia, 1981
- 61. Petroglyphs, Big Hand Panel, New Mexico, 1981

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1969	The Dayton Art Institute Photography Department, Ohio		M. H. de Young Memorial Museum, San Francisco, California
1970	San Francisco Art Institute, California	1978	Light Gallery, New York City
1971	Focus Gallery, San Francisco, California		Santa Anna College, California
	Barnes Gallery, Loomis Institute,		Yuen Lui Gallery, Seattle, Washington
	Connecticut		The Darkroom, San Rafael, California
	The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Illinois	1979	Commons Gallery, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri
1972	Let-A-Dark, San Raphael, California		Wesleyan University, Middletown,
1973	Hallway Gallery, San Francisco Art Institute, California		Connecticut
	Light Gallery, New York City		Tweed Museum, University of Minnesota, Duluth
	The Dayton Art Institute Photography Department, Ohio		Yellowstone Art Center, Billings, Montana
1974	Tyler School of Art, Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania		The Los Angeles Institute of
	Portland School of Art, Maine		Contemporary Art, California
	Meramec Community College, St. Louis, Missouri		Photographer's Gallery, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada
1975	University of Colorado, Boulder		Light Factory Gallery, Charlotte, North Carolina
	218 Gallery, Memphis, Tennessee		Eclipse Gallery, Boulder, Colorado
	Center Gallery, University of California		Light Gallery, Los Angeles, California
	Berkeley Extension, San Francisco, California		Light Gallery, New York City
	Slightly Sloping Gallery, Visual Studies Workshop, Rochester, New York		Northlight Gallery, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona
1976	Spectrum Gallery, Tucson, Arizona		Vision Gallery, Boston, Massachusetts
19/0	Susan Spiritus Gallery, Newport Beach, California		Ancient Currents Gallery, San Francisco, California
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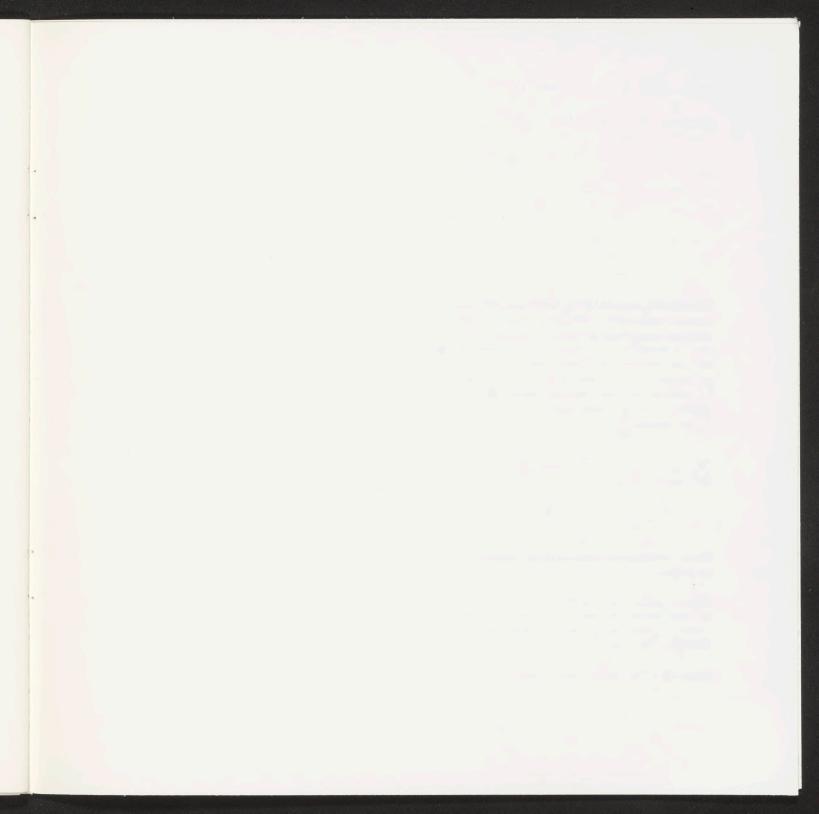
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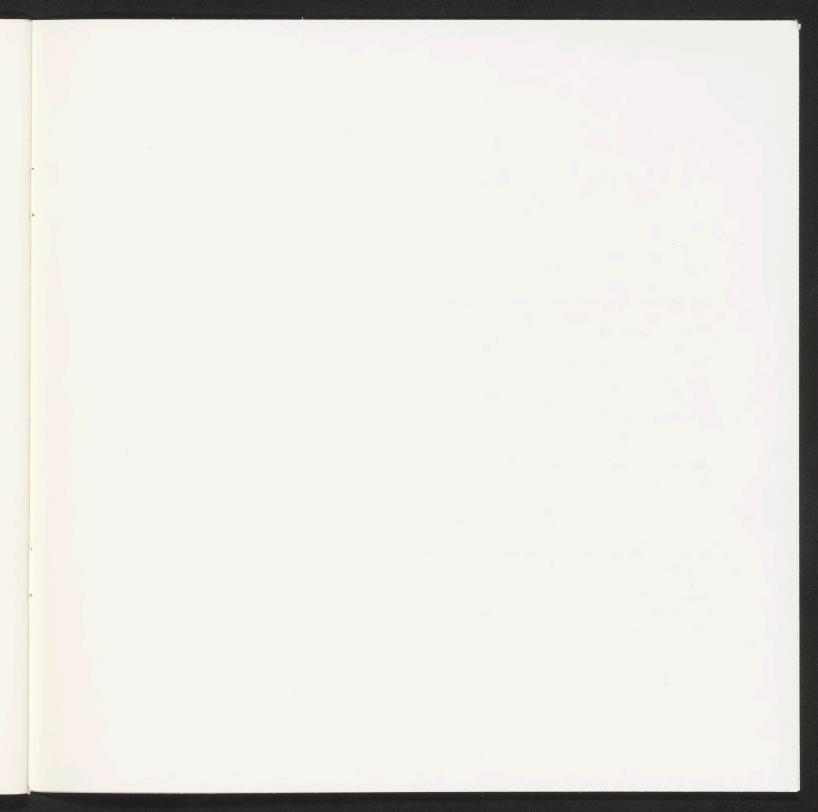
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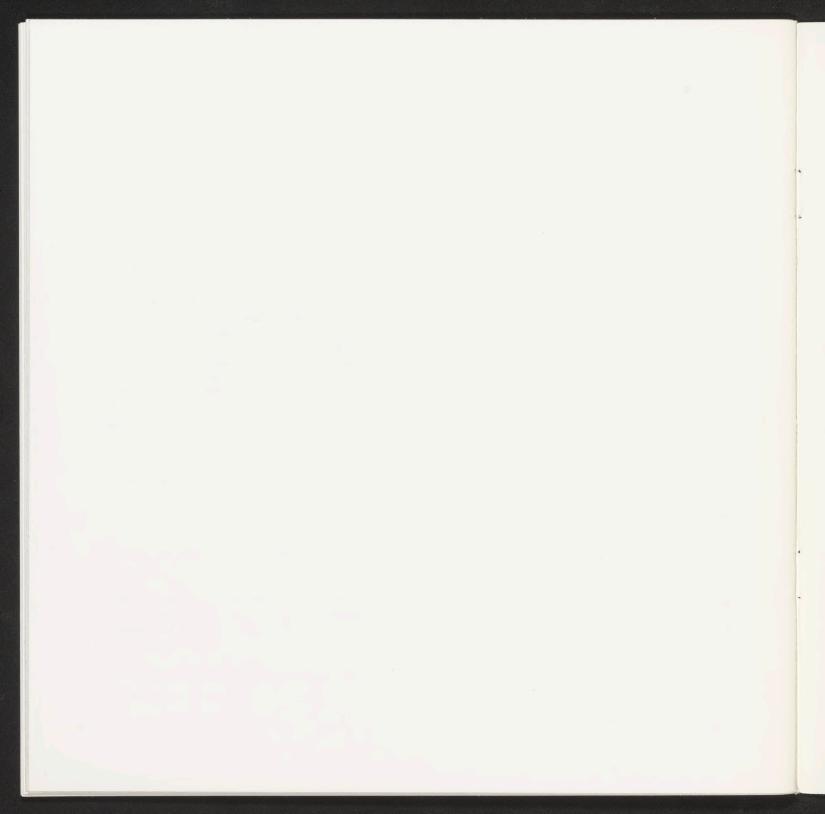
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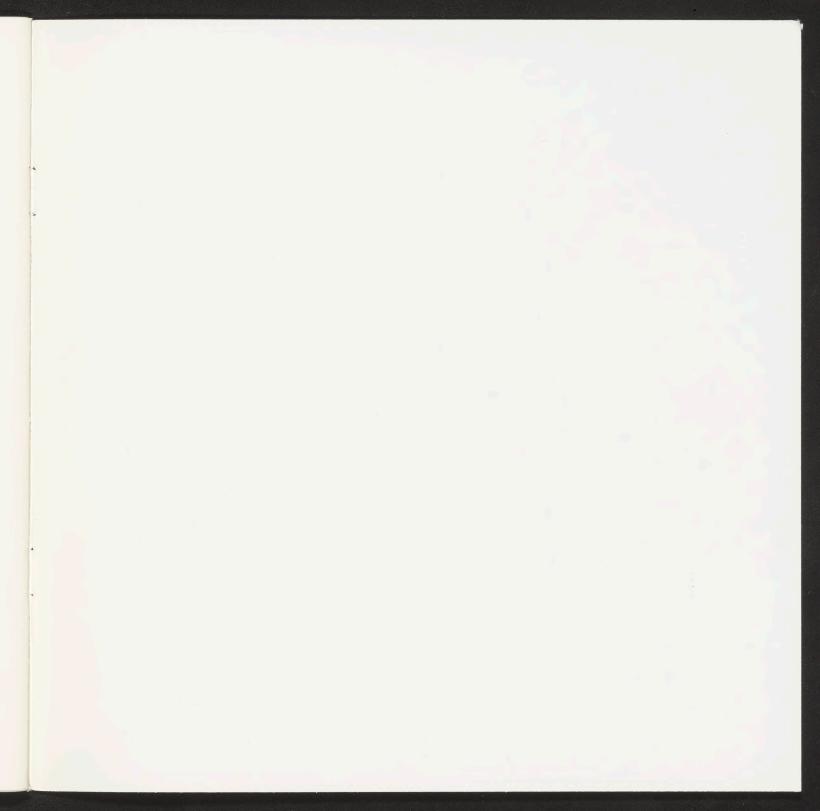
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